

PETERSBURG

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE
ON SAUNDERS FARM

Barn, Stable and Four Other Buildings
Burned to Ground in Sunday
Night Fire.

WILLIAMSON TO GO FREE
Petersburg Has No Further Charge
Against Man Finishing Term for
Bribery.

The Times-Dispatch Bureau,
5 Hollingsworth Street,
Petersburg, Va., May 25.
Chairman E. A. Hartley, of the
executive committee, has called a
meeting of the directors of the
Petersburg Chamber of Commerce
for 5 o'clock, in the rooms
of the Chamber of Commerce, to
discuss the plan to purchase the
association. A "boosting" cam-
paign will probably be one of the
features of the plans to be adopted.

Fire in Prince George.
The barn, stable and four out-
buildings on the farm of Charles W. Sand-
ers, on the Baxter Road, in Prince
George County, about nine miles from
Petersburg, were destroyed by an
unknown origin last night about 10
o'clock. The residence and store were
saved, as was also the live stock in
the barn, which was with the excep-
tion of one cow, which perished, a
good deal of feed, vehicles and im-
plements, etc., were burned. Mr.
Saunders had some insurance on the
burned buildings, but not enough to
cover his loss.

Death of Venerable Woman.
Mrs. Bettie Wheelhouse, widow of
Petersburg Wheelhouse, died yesterday
at the residence of Marion L. King, on
West Washington Street. She was in
her ninety-third year, and had always
been in good health up to her fatal
illness, which was of about three
weeks' duration. She was a native of
Chesapeake, and is survived by no im-
mediate relatives.

Information has been received of the
death on Friday, her home in Russia,
of Mrs. Sophia Gellman, aged about
sixty years. She is survived by four
children, two of her sons, Abe and
Gellman, living and conducting a
mercantile business in Petersburg.
They were visited by their mother
several years ago, who spent some
time with them.

Hotel Building Bought.
The Petersburg Investment Corporation
has sold to Benjamin Harrison and
Samuel A. Helmsch the building on
West Tabb Street, known as the "New
York Hotel," with the provision that
it is to be razed and the material re-
moved within sixty days. The work
of tearing down the building will be
completed by June 1. The site on
which the modern new \$200,000 hotel
is to be erected by the Investment
Corporation under the joint super-
vision of Architect Menden, of Peters-
burg, and Architect Robinson, of Rich-
mond.

Fined for Gambling.
In the Police Court this morning,
Charles Cook, colored, was fined \$100
on the charge of maintaining a
gambling house on Jones Street.
John Williams, negro, stole a coat
from one person and was caught
while attempting to pawn it at an-
other. For this he was sent to jail
for six months. He was also convict-
ed of a second charge of larceny and
given an additional sentence of sixty
days.

Drought Becoming Serious.
The drought has become serious in
this section for some weeks, and
the drought is becoming serious. The
farmers are backward with their crops
able to do but little in the way of
farm operations. In a number of
churches yesterday prayers were
offered for rain. The small streams
throughout the section are getting very
low.

General News Notes.
Among the civil cases disposed of at
the present term of the Hastings Court
was the divorce case of Lillian Cousins
Walsh vs. Lawrence T. Walsh, in which
a decree granting the plaintiff absolute
divorce was granted.

The Very Rev. J. T. O'Farrell has
gone to Virginia Beach with plans for
a new church to be erected there.
The annual meeting of the board of
managers of the Methodist Sunday
School Association was held yesterday
afternoon in the Washington Street
church, at which dates for the monthly
meetings of the association for the
coming year were arranged.

It is expected that fully one-half of
the tobacco growers in the Southside
section will raise and tobacco this
year, thus making Petersburg a big
market for the bright grades next
season.

Chief Bagland to-day received a tele-
gram from the Federal authorities,
asking him to look for the man who
robbed the post-office at Windsor, and
who is thought to have come to Peters-
burg.

Mrs. J. W. Elder and Mrs. D. P.
Eames left this morning for Danville
to attend the State Council of Daugh-
ters of Liberty.

When James A. Williamson is dis-
charged from the penitentiary in a few
days, after serving four and a half
years for larceny, he will go free. Pe-
tersburg has no further charge against
him.

The children, altar boys and the
choir of St. Joseph's Catholic Church
yesterday afternoon participated in the
procession in honor of the Blessed
Virgin. The march was from St. Jo-
seph's Academy, into and through the
aisles of the church. A very large con-
gregation was present.

**GROOMING CANDIDATE
FOR SEAT IN CONGRESS**

Col. James P. Woods Discussed as Pos-
sible Successor to Glass Should
Latter Resign.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Roanoke, Va., May 25.—With the re-
cent prospective retirement of Car-
ter Glass as Representative in Con-
gress from the Sixth District to suc-
ceed the Treasury portfolio in suc-
cession of William C. McDonald, who may
enter the race for the Senate in New
York State, friends of Colonel James
P. Woods are starting a movement to
induce him to enter the race for Mr.
Glass's seat.

Of course, there is nothing definite
in the matter until the Washington
political end works out, but it can be
said that should the seat become vac-
ant, Mr. Woods will be urged to run,
and that such pressure will be
brought to bear as will make it almost
impossible for him to refuse.

Colonel Woods is a native of Roanoke
County and was born in 1862. He
graduated from Roanoke College
at the head of his class in 1882, and
attended a course at the University of
Virginia, where he received the degree
of Bachelor of Arts. He has been
practiced at the Roanoke bar with
growing success and honor ever
since. He has been Mayor of Roanoke,
a member of the City Council and
a delegate to numerous Demo-
cratic conventions.

Colonel Woods has not yet expressed
himself in connection with the propo-
sition to enter the race, but it is be-
lieved that he will not do so until
there is more foundation for the be-
lief that there will be a vacancy.

SOUTH RICHMOND

TWO SUITS FILED AGAINST
RICHMOND TRANSFER CO.

George P. West and Wife Claim Dam-
ages as Result of Automobile
Accident.

GRAND JURY TO MAKE ADDRESS
Suits of Mary C. Sims Against R. F. & P.
Railroad and Others Is Compromised.
Gun Toters Fined.

The Richmond Transfer Company is
defendant in two suits for damages
aggregating \$21,000, which were filed
yesterday afternoon in Hastings Court.
The first suit is against the company
for damages to the extent of \$1,000, and
Mrs. Olive West, his wife, sues for
\$20,000 for injuries sustained in an auto-
mobile accident.

Mr. and Mrs. West, it is said, were
being driven in a motor car to their
home in the country by a chauffeur of
the company when the machine was
run over a high embankment. The occu-
pants were thrown to the ground, and
Mrs. West, it is claimed, was severely
injured.

The suit of Mary C. Sims, adminis-
trator of R. A. Sims, who was killed by
a fall from a train near Fredericks-
burg, against the Richmond, Fredericks-
burg and Potomac Railroad Company,
John Nathaniel, Joseph Edward,
Robert Alexander, Wingfield Franklin
and Ulla Stella Sims, was compromised
for damages in the sum of \$1,000.

Grand Regent Makes Address.
S. H. Sayre, of Hampton, grand re-
gent of Virginia, was present and made
an address last night at the regular
meeting of Manchester Council, No.
1217, Royal Arcanum. The speaker
complimented the fine showing and
the attendance of the council, which is
one of the largest in the State. Regent
W. J. Fisher presided, and speeches
were made by other members of the
council. Following the oratory re-
freshments were served. The officers
of the Southside Council are W. J.
Fisher, regent; J. H. Purdy, secretary;
E. T. Duval, collector.

To Lecture on Brazil.
Rev. J. A. Barker, pastor of Clifton
Street Baptist Church, will deliver a
lecture to-morrow night at 8 o'clock in
the auditorium of the church on "Brazil."
Having been a missionary there, it
is expected that his talk will be an
interesting and graphic description of
the large South American republic. He
will also sing in Portuguese, and the
choir will render several appropriate
selections. The address is given under
the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society
of the church.

With the Lodges.
Maple Camp, No. 159, Woodmen of the
World, has adopted a sick benefit fund
for its members. The fund is to take
effect on June 1. The dues will be 25
cents extra each month, and the bene-
ficiary will receive \$4 per week for ten
weeks after the first week of illness.

A special meeting of Manchester
Lodge, No. 14, Ancient Free and Ac-
cepted Masons, was held last night in
the Masonic Temple, at which important
business was transacted. Refreshments
were served after the meeting.

An important meeting of Manchester
Lodge, No. 443, Benevolent and Protec-
tive Order of Elks, will be held to-
morrow night, when it is expected that
the committee appointed to dispose of
the home at Eleventh and Bainbridge
Streets will report.

Parcel Post Report.
According to the report of Superin-
tendent L. B. Lloyd, of the parcel post
division, for last week, 654 packages
were delivered and 423 mailed. The
postage on the matter received amount-
ed to \$42.56.

G. W. Crenery Fined.
G. W. Crenery, a Chesterfield farmer,
and John Morrow, colored, were fined
\$25 each by Justice H. A. Maurice yester-
day morning in Police Court. Part
II, on the charge of shooting at each
other. Crenery fired at the negro first,
it was said, and Morrow, resenting
being made a target, returned shortly
with a pistol, whose contents he pro-
ceeded to discharge at Crenery. Neither
was hurt.

Lee Mangled by Train.
Alexander V. Lee, 25-year-old Frank
Waldvogel, an employee at the Armory
Inlet Station, was struck by a freight
train at 7 o'clock this morning, and
his right leg so badly mangled that
amputation was necessary.

**SAW INTOXICATED GIRL
COME FROM MILLER'S BAR**

Colored Preacher Testifies at Saloon
Inquiry—Liquor Hangouts Near-
ing Their End.

The Hastings Court resumed its in-
quiry yesterday into the Jackson Ward
saloon situation, examining witnesses
in the case of William Miller, who is
an applicant for a renewal of his
license to sell liquor at retail in his
hotel at Second and Leigh Streets.
The hearing began at 10 o'clock in the
morning, and lasted several hours.

Rev. Z. D. Leach, pastor of the Sec-
ond Baptist Church, colored, told of
seeing a colored girl emerge from the
side entrance of the bar in an intox-
icated condition, and other witnesses
told of further irregularities. A large
number of witnesses testified to the
good character of the place, and told
the court that the saloon is conducted
in an orderly manner. The hearing
will be continued at 10 o'clock this
morning.

If the Miller case is finished in time,
the court will take up to-day also the
case of James J. Keaveney, who con-
ducts a saloon at 900 St. Peter Street.
The court expects to conclude this
week the general liquor inquiry, which
has extended for a period of more
than a month. It is probable that
Judge Richardson will pass finally upon
all pending license applications next
week.

United States Grand Jury.
The Federal grand jury will meet in
Norfolk on June 8. About thirty-five
cases, including that of the United
States against the Richmond Distillery
Company, will be presented. The Rich-
mond Distillery Company is charged
with violation of the internal revenue
laws.

Write of Error.
The State Supreme Court of Appeals yester-
day granted a writ of error and superse-
des to the Eastern State Sales Corpora-
tion, of Richmond, in the company's appeal
from a judgment rendered in the Hastings
Court by Judge H. A. Maurice. The
Apperson-Lee Motor Company, of Lynch-
burg, for the sum of \$25,121, with interest.
The suit grew out of the sale of an auto-
mobile truck in Lynchburg, the Apperson-
Lee Company claiming that Eastern
Motor Sales Corporation owed it a com-
mission for the sale.

Work for Rate Reduction.
Raleigh, N. C., May 25.—Chairman E.
L. Thoms, of the Corporation Commis-
sion, and Rate Expert Womble went
to Charlotte this afternoon to confer
with representatives of the North Car-
olina Cotton Manufacturers' Association
and other textile interests, relative to
preparations for a special hearing before an
examiner for the Interstate Commerce
Commission on coal rates, to take place
in Charlotte on June 8, in an effort
to reduce rates.

ALL COUNTIES HAVE AGREED
EXCEPT CHESTERFIELD

Accept Offer of Federal Government to
Supervise Maintenance of
Highway.

CONFERENCE TO BE HELD TO-DAY
Chamber of Commerce May Aid in Im-
provement of Road Leading Out of
Richmond.

State Highway Commissioner Coleman
reported yesterday that all the
counties between Richmond and the
North Carolina border, with the
exception of Chesterfield, have ac-
cepted the terms of the Federal gov-
ernment offer to supervise the main-
tenance of the Richmond-Atlanta High-
way. D. T. Winslow, superintendent
of road construction, of the United
States Office of Public Roads, expects
to assign an engineer from his office
to the Virginia section of the high-
way at once.

The Richmond Chamber of Commerce
is at present about to begin negotia-
tions with the Board of Supervisors
of Chesterfield County over a work-
ing agreement by which Chesterfield
may take advantage of the Federal
offer. The supervisors, when the offer
was recently presented by Commis-
sioner Coleman and Mr. Winslow, pro-
fessed themselves much taken with the
proposal and acknowledged a willing-
ness to accept the terms in case the
city of Richmond, which would natu-
rally be a great user of the highway,
would agree to share in the expense
entailed.

Commissioner Coleman at once took
the matter up with the chamber, and
the organization plans to initiate in
Richmond the movement to assist
Chesterfield County in accepting the
Federal offer.

**COMMITTEES WILL
HOLD CONFERENCE TO-DAY**

With this end in view, a committee
from the Chesterfield Board of Su-
pervisors will meet the executive com-
mittee of the Chamber of Commerce
and the chamber's committee on
streets, roads and parks to-day at noon
in the chamber offices. It is confident-
ly expected that as a result of the
conference to-day, Chesterfield will
be lined up with Dinwiddie,
Mecklenburg and Brunswick Counties,
and the Virginia section of the Rich-
mond-Atlanta Highway contracted for
the period of one year to super-
vise and direct the maintenance of the
150 miles of this highway in Virginia.
The counties through which the road
runs are to furnish the material and
labor required properly to maintain
the highway.

The Chamber of Commerce of Pe-
tersburg recently agreed to finance
Dinwiddie County's portion of the road.

Building Permits.
Permits were issued yesterday by the
Building Inspector as follows:
W. H. Davis, C. H. Archer and W. H.
Jenks, to build a three-story detached
brick dwelling on the west side of
Fourth Street, between Main and
Franklin Streets, to cost \$12,500.

George R. Newsome & Co., Inc., to
add two stories to a building now in
the course of construction on the north
side of Cary Street, between Seven-
teenth and Eighteenth Streets, to cost
\$3,000.

Robert L. Turpin, to repair frame
dwelling at 1307 Chaffin Street, to cost
\$200.

C. D. Wingfield, to repair brick gar-
age in the rear of 407 West Franklin
Street, to cost \$150.

F. F. Baker, to repair frame store
and dwelling at 1415 Mosby Street, to
cost \$100.

COFFEE

When Coffee Gets You--

The experience will be like that of thousands who have
ignored the fact that coffee contains a habit-forming drug, caffeine—about 2½ grains to the ordinary cup.

Some say, "Coffee don't hurt me," and seem to get on
with it for a time. But there are few persons who can use
coffee as a routine daily beverage and not sometime feel its
effects—headache, nervousness, indigestion, biliousness, sleep-
lessness, heart trouble, or some other discomfort.

Thousands have found relief
by stopping coffee and using

POSTUM

A delicious table beverage made only from whole wheat
and a small per cent of molasses, POSTUM contains the
nourishment of the grain, including the essential mineral salts
(phosphate of potash, etc.), but is positively free from the
drug, caffeine, or any other harmful substance.

Postum now comes in two forms:
Regular Postum—must be well boiled—15c and 25c pkgs.
Instant Postum—a soluble form—requires no boiling—
30c and 50c tins.

The cost per cup of both kinds is about the same.

There's a mighty army of POSTUM users
—the number is steadily growing—

"There's a Reason"

Grocers everywhere sell POSTUM.

VIRGINIA HOSPITAL HOLDS
COMMENCEMENT NIGHT

Mayor Ainslie to Preside at Gradu-
ation Exercises for City
Nurses.

W. R. MEREDITH MAKES ADDRESS
Diplomas to Be Presented to Gradu-
ates by Dr. George Ben Johnston.
Reception to Follow.

With Mayor George Ainslie presiding,
the first annual commencement
exercises of the Virginia Hospital
Training School for Nurses will be
held in the auditorium of the John
Marshall High School to-night at 8:30
o'clock. Virginia Hospital is the hos-
pital recently acquired by the city,
and municipal officials have shown the
greatest interest in its welfare, so
that it is expected the high school au-
ditorium will be crowded to-night,
when diplomas are presented to the
members of the first class to graduate from
the hospital under the new regime. The
exercises are open to the public, and
Miss S. E. Cummings, superintendent,
has issued a general invitation to the
city at large to be present.

Members of the Administrative
Board, the graduating class and the
hospital staff will occupy places on the
stage. The program for the exer-
cises will be participated in by some
of the most prominent men in the city.
One of the most interesting features of
the program will be the delivery to
the graduates of the hospital pink.
The following is the list of gradu-
ates: Misses Annie Lee Woodruff,
Elizabeth Wells Winborne and Kath-
erine Pedigo.

Richmond doctors who will act as
ushers for the exercises are: Robert
Whitehead, Manuel Torregrossa, A. I.
Weinstein, John Coker, Marshall L.
Boyd, Dr. Stryer and J. H. Crouch.
Following is the program for the
exercises:

George Ainslie, Mayor of Richmond,
presiding.
Prayer, Rev. J. Calvin Stewart, D.
D., pastor Church of the Covenant.
Address, Dr. S. C. Mitchell, president
Medical College of Virginia.
Presentation of diplomas, Dr. George
Ben Johnston.

Administration of the Florence
Nightingale oath, Dr. J. Garnett Nel-
son.
Presentation of hospital pins, Dr.
Manfred Call.
Address, Wyndham R. Meredith.
Floral presentation.
Benediction, Rev. J. Calvin Stewart,
D. D.

A reception, followed by a ball, in
the auditorium of the Jefferson Hotel
last night marked the beginning of
the Virginia Hospital commencement,
which will be concluded with the
awarding of the diplomas to-night.

**SUMMER REST PASSES
TO EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

Will Be Operated as Before an Rest-
ing Place for Self-Support-
ing Women.

"Summer Rest," the mountain resort
established for the use of self-supp-
orting women, which was formerly owned
and controlled by an organization
known as "The Co-operative Workers
of Richmond," has recently been trans-
ferred to the Episcopal Church of Hen-
rico Parish.

"Summer Rest" is a beautiful tract
of land comprising seventy-two acres
in Henrico County. It lies a mile
distant from Greenwood Station, on the
Chesapeake and Ohio Railway, at the
base of the Blue Ridge Mountains. On
the farm is a commodious building,
well equipped and furnished, surround-
ed by a beautiful lawn and shaded by
magnificent trees.

Women of all denominations will be
admitted.

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Don't experiment with refrig-
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Prices, \$7.50 up.

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Hay for cash with order, in lots of
1,000 pounds and upwards, prices, per
ton, f. o. b. Warren Station: good
Clover mixed, \$17; beautiful Timothy
Red Top and Alfalfa mixed, \$20; fancy
Alfalfa, \$25; fine Alfalfa, \$22.

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admitted, the only requirements being
that they shall be self-supporting and
free from contagious diseases. The
boarding department will be under the
management of Mrs. George A. Back-
dale. The resort opens on July 1, and
information concerning it may be ob-
tained from Mrs. Mary J. Wollard, Y.
W. C. A. Central Building, on Tuesdays
and Fridays, from 5 to 7 o'clock.

The officers of the board are: Rev. S.
Roger Tyler, president; Mrs. George A.
Backdale, vice-president; Mrs. S. M.
Sarvey, treasurer; F. D. Beveridge, sec-
retary. Executive committee: James
Caskie, chairman; Mrs. W. R. Bowle,
P. D. Beveridge, Mrs. W. A. Powers,
Rev. J. A. Gravitt, Rev. S. Roger Tyler,
Mrs. George A. Backdale. Finance
committee: B. Rand Wellford, chair-
man; Rev. W. R. Bowle, Miss Lucy Gib-
son, Mrs. S. M. Sarvey, Rev. S. R. Tyler,
Mrs. George A. Backdale.

CHARTERS ISSUED

The following charters were issued
yesterday by the State Corporation
Commission for:
Amendment to charter of Princess
Purnace Company, Inc. Glen Wilton,
creating \$300,000 preferred stock.
Broadrick-Glenan Corporation, Nor-
folk. Capital stock, \$10,000. W. S.
Broadrick, president; M. Glennan, sec-
retary, both of Norfolk. Objects of cor-
poration, sales agency of automobiles.
Citizens Bank, Inc., Pulaski. Capital
stock, \$25,000 to \$50,000. D. A. L. Wor-
rell, president; Dublin; J. Walter Webb,
cashier and secretary, Pulaski. Ob-
jects, to conduct a State bank.
Foreign charters: Norfolk and Cheas-
apeake Coal Company, a West Virginia
corporation with \$100,000 capital stock,
domesticated. Tazewell Fitzgerald,
statutory agent, Norfolk.

Governor Out of Town.
Governor Stuart left the city last night
for Marietta, Ga., to deliver the grad-
uating address to-day in the Marion
College. He will make the return trip to-
night, reaching his office at the regular hour
to-morrow morning.

**Catarrh is Often
Deep Seated**

Local Congestions May In-
dicate Much Internal
Inflammation.

Just because catarrh affects the nose and
throat, few people realize how deep-seated
it may be until it creeps into the bronchial
tubes and settles down into the lungs.
The way to treat catarrh is to recognize
the fact that it is in the blood.
And there is only one blood purifier that
can be safely used. It is S. S. S., the most
powerful, the most searching, the most
assimilative blood remedy known today, for
it is not a mineral, but a vegetable remedy.
The medicinal components of S. S. S. are
relatively just as essential to well-balanced
health as the nutritive properties of the
grains, meats, sugars and fats of foods.
Any local irritating influence in the blood is
rejected by the tissue cells and eliminated
by reason of the stimulating influence of
S. S. S.

You will soon realize its wonderful in-
fluence by the absence of headache, a de-
cided clearing of the sinuses, a steadily
improved nasal condition, and a sense of
bodily relief that proves how completely
restored the system is to its normal con-
dition. You will find S. S. S. on sale at all drug
stores. It is a remarkable remedy for any
and all blood affections, such as eczema,
rash, itches, tetter, psoriasis, boils, and all
other diseased conditions of the blood. For
special advice, ask a blood specialist, write
Medical Dept., The Swift Scudder Co., 532
Swift Bldg., Atlanta, Ga. (Fully avoid
any and all substitutes for S. S. S. There
is nothing "just as good.")

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joy your summer vacation to the
fullest at moderate expense. Cool,
restful sleep on the warmest sum-
mer nights. All forms of out-
door sports and an invigorating
atmosphere that brings keen ap-
petites.

Closest golf links in the South
adjoin hotel. Milk and